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**DOULA STERNESCHES** ive Ashlee Matthews proposes the following substitute bill:

## **MATERNAL** COVERAGE AMENDMENTS

2023 GENERAL SESSION STATE OF UTAH

**Chief Sponsor: Ashlee Matthews** 

Senate Sponsor: \[ \tag{Luz Escamilla} \]

#### **LONG TITLE**

#### **General Description:**

This bill requires the Public Employees' Benefit and Insurance Program to cover {doula} pregnancy and childbirth services.

### **Highlighted Provisions:**

This bill:

- defines terms;
- requires coverage of {doula} pregnancy and childbirth services by the Public Employees' Benefit and Insurance Program {;

#### }, including:

- doula services;
- services by a licensed direct-entry midwife; and
- services at a free-standing birthing center;

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- requires the program to report on its coverage of {doula} pregnancy and childbirth services to the Health and Human Services Interim Committee; and
- provides a repeal date.

### **Money Appropriated in this Bill:**

None

### **Other Special Clauses:**

None

## **Utah Code Sections Affected:**

AMENDS:

63I-2-249, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2021, Chapter 64

**ENACTS:** 

**49-20-422**, Utah Code Annotated 1953

*Be it enacted by the Legislature of the state of Utah:* 

Section 1. Section 49-20-422 is enacted to read:

49-20-422. Coverage of {doula} pregnancy and childbirth services.

- (1) As used in this section:
- (a) "Doula" means an individual who:
- (i) provides information and physical and emotional support:
- (A) to a pregnant or postpartum individual; and
- (B) related to the pregnant or postpartum individual's pregnancy; and
- (ii) is certified by one or more organizations approved by the program.
- (b) "Pregnancy and childbirth services" means services provided to a pregnant individual before, during, or shortly after childbirth:
  - (i) by a doula for the services described in Subsections (1)(a)(i) and (ii);
  - (ii) by a direct-entry midwife licensed under Title 58, Chapter 77, Direct-Entry

Midwife Act, if the direct-entry midwife is engaged in the practice of direct-entry midwifery, as defined in Section 58-77-102; or

- (iii) at a birthing center that:
- (A) is licensed under Title 26, Chapter 21, Health Care Facility Licensing and Inspection Act; or

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- (B) is accredited by the Commission for the Accreditation of Birth Centers.
- (<del>{b}c</del>) "Qualified individual" means a covered individual who is:
- (i) within the state employees' risk pool; and
- (ii) (A) is pregnant; or
- (B) was pregnant within the past six months.
- (2) For a plan year that begins on or after July 1, 2023, and before July 1, 2026, the program shall cover pregnancy and childbirth services { provided by a doula} to a qualified individual.
- (3) The program may establish limits for coverage under Subsection (2), including limits based on:
  - (a) the type or number of services provided; and
  - (b) a qualified individual's physical or emotional condition.
- (4) The program shall report to the Health and Human Services Interim Committee on or before October 1 of each year regarding coverage provided under Subsection (2), including:
  - (a) covered providers;
  - (b) covered services;
  - (c) provider payment rates;
  - (d) covered-individual cost sharing;
  - (e) total provider payments and covered-individual cost sharing; and
- (f) any indicators of whether {doula} pregnancy and childbirth services covered under Subsection (2) have:
  - (i) reduced pregnancy or postpartum coverage costs; or
  - (ii) improved pregnancy or postpartum care.
  - Section 2. Section 63I-2-249 is amended to read:
  - **63I-2-249.** Repeal dates: Title 49.
- (1) Subsection 49-20-420(3), regarding a requirement to report to the Legislature, is repealed January 1, 2030.
- (2) Section 49-20-422, regarding coverage for {doula} pregnancy and childbirth services, is repealed July 1, 2027.